

**GLOBAL HEALTH**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine new directions in global health, after receiving testimony from former President William Jefferson Clinton, William J. Clinton Foundation, New York, New York; and William H. Gates, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Seattle, Washington.

**PUBLIC DIPLOMACY**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Subcommittee on International Operations and Organizations, Human Rights, Democracy and Global Women's Issues concluded a hearing to examine the future of U.S. public diplomacy, after receiving testimony from Evelyn S. Lieberman, Director of Communications, Smithsonian Institution, Karen Hughes, and James K. Glassman, all former Under Secretary for Public Diplomacy, and Judith McHale, Under Secretary for Public Diplomacy, all of the Department of State.

**CHRISTMAS DAY ATTACK**

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the lessons and implications of the Christmas day attack, focusing on watchlisting and pre-screening, after receiving testimony from Russell Travers, Deputy Director for Information Sharing and Knowledge Development, National Counterterrorism Center, Office of the Director of National Intelligence; Timothy J. Healy, Director, Terrorist Screening Center, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; and Gale D. Rossides, Acting Administrator, Transportation Security Administration, and David V. Aguilar, Acting Deputy Commissioner, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, both of the Department of Homeland Security.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nomina-

tions of Patrick K. Nakamura, of Alabama, to be a Member of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, Gwendolyn E. Boyd, of Maryland, and Peggy Goldwater-Clay, of California, both to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation, and Sharon L. Browne, of California, Charles Norman Wiltse Keckler, of Virginia, and Victor B. Maddox, of Kentucky, all to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation, and Gary Blumenthal, of Massachusetts, Chester Alonzo Finn, of New York, Sara A. Gelsner, of Oregon, Ari Ne'eman, of Maryland, Dongwoo Joseph Pak, of California, Carol Jean Reynolds, of Colorado, Fernando Torres-Gill, of California, and Jonathan M. Young, of Maryland, all to be a Member of the National Council on Disability.

**CORPORATE SPENDING IN AMERICAN ELECTIONS**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine corporate spending in American elections after *Citizens United*, after receiving testimony from Jeffrey Rosen, George Washington University Law School, and Douglas T. Kendall, Constitutional Accountability Center, both of Washington, D.C.; and Bradley A. Smith, Center for Competitive Politics, Alexandria, Virginia.

**NOMINATIONS**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Gary Scott Feinerman, and Sharon Johnson Coleman, both to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, who were both introduced by Senator Durbin, and William Joseph Martinez, to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado, who was introduced by Senators Bennet and Udall (CO), after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

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# House of Representatives

**Chamber Action**

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 20 public bills, H.R. 4800–4819; and 7 resolutions, H. Res. 1155–1161, were introduced. **Pages H1322–23**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H1324**

**Reports Filed:** There were no reports filed today.

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Slaughter to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1223**

**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

*Providing authority to compensate Federal employees for the 2-day period in which authority to make expenditures from the Highway Trust Fund*

*lapsed:* H.R. 4786, to provide authority to compensate Federal employees for the 2-day period in which authority to make expenditures from the Highway Trust Fund lapsed; **Pages H1226–28**

*Commemorating the 45th anniversary of Bloody Sunday and the role that it played in ensuring the passage of the Voting Rights Act of 1965:* H. Con. Res. 249, to commemorate the 45th anniversary of Bloody Sunday and the role that it played in ensuring the passage of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 409 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 99; **Pages H1228–32, H1286**

*Supporting the goals and ideals of National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month:* H. Res. 1081, to support the goals and ideals of National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month; **Pages H1232–34**

*Honoring the life of John H. “Jack” Ruffin, Jr.:* H. Res. 1087, to honor the life of John H. “Jack” Ruffin, Jr.; **Pages H1234–35**

*Expressing appreciation for the profound dedication and public service of Enrique “Kiki” Camarena on the 25th anniversary of his death:* H. Res. 1115, to express appreciation for the profound dedication and public service of Enrique “Kiki” Camarena on the 25th anniversary of his death; **Pages H1238–40**

*Honoring the heroic actions of Court Security Officer Stanley Cooper and Deputy United States Marshal Richard J. “Joe” Gardner:* H. Res. 1061, to honor the heroic actions of Court Security Officer Stanley Cooper, Deputy United States Marshal Richard J. “Joe” Gardner, the law enforcement officers of the United States Marshals Service and Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, and the Court Security Officers in responding to the armed assault at the Lloyd D. George Federal Courthouse on January 4, 2010; **Pages H1240–42**

*Accelerating the income tax benefits for charitable cash contributions for the relief of victims of the earthquake in Chile:* H.R. 4783, to accelerate the income tax benefits for charitable cash contributions for the relief of victims of the earthquake in Chile, and to extend the period from which such contributions for the relief of victims of the earthquake in Haiti may be accelerated; and

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*Debt Relief for Earthquake Recovery in Haiti Act of 2010:* H.R. 4573, amended, to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to instruct the United States Executive Directors at the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank, and other multilateral development institutions to use the voice, vote, and influence of the

United States to cancel immediately and completely Haiti’s debts to such institutions. **Pages H1288–95**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To urge the Secretary of the Treasury to instruct the United States Executive Directors at the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank, and other multilateral development institutions to use the voice, vote, and influence of the United States to cancel immediately and completely Haiti’s debts to such institutions, and for other purposes.” **Page H1295**

**Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on Tuesday, March 9th:

*Recognizing the plight of people with albinism in East Africa and condemning their murder and mutilation:* H. Res. 1088, amended, to recognize the plight of people with albinism in East Africa and to condemn their murder and mutilation, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 418 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 96; **Pages H1249–50**

*Prevent Deceptive Census Look Alike Mailings Act:* H.R. 4621, amended, to protect the integrity of the constitutionally-mandated United States census and prohibit deceptive mail practices that attempt to exploit the decennial census, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 416 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 97; and **Pages H1250–51**

*Expressing condolences to the families of the victims of the February 27, 2010, earthquake in Chile:* H. Res. 1144, to express condolences to the families of the victims of the February 27, 2010, earthquake in Chile, as well as solidarity with and support for the people of Chile as they plan for recovery and reconstruction, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  recorded vote of 404 yeas to 1 no, Roll No. 100. **Page H1287**

**Directing the President, pursuant to section 5(c) of the War Powers Resolution, to remove the United States Armed Forces from Afghanistan:** The House failed to agree to H. Con. Res. 248, to direct the President, pursuant to section 5(c) of the War Powers Resolution, to remove the United States Armed Forces from Afghanistan, by a yea-and-nay vote of 65 yeas to 356 nays, Roll No. 98.

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H. Res. 1146, the rule providing for consideration of the resolution, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 225 yeas to 195 nays, Roll No. 95, after the previous question was ordered without objection.

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**Suspension—Proceedings Postponed:** The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

**Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 2010:** H.R. 4506, amended, to authorize the appointment of additional bankruptcy judges. **Pages H1235–38**

**Committee Election:** The House agreed to H. Res. 1156, electing a Member to a certain standing committee of the House of Representatives: Committee on the Budget: Representative Moore (KS).

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**Presidential Message:** Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the emergency declared with respect to Iran is to continue in effect beyond March 15, 2010—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed (H. Doc. 111–97).

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**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H1223.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Five yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1249, H1249–50, H1250–51, H1285–86, H1286, and H1287. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:22 p.m.

## **Committee Meetings**

### **U.S. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS**

**Committee on Agriculture:** Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition, and Forestry held a hearing to review USDA's information technology systems. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Chris Smith, Chief Information Officer; and Jonathan Coppess, Administrator, Farm Service Agency; and public witnesses.

### **AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS**

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the FDA. Testimony was heard from Margaret A. Hamburg, Commissioner, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services.

### **COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS**

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Economic Development Administration. Testimony was heard from John Fernandez, Assistant Secretary, Economic Development, Department of Commerce.

### **DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS**

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee on Defense held a hearing on Air Force Posture. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Air Force, Michael Donley, Secretary; and GEN Norton A. Schwartz, Chief of Staff.

### **ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS**

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for DOE Nuclear Nonproliferation. Testimony was heard from Steven Black, Chief Operating Officer, Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation, Department of Energy.

### **FINANCIAL SERVICES AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS**

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government held a hearing on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for the Department of the Treasury. Testimony was heard from Timothy F. Geithner, Secretary of the Treasury.

### **HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS**

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a hearing on FEMA—Preparing for Disasters and Minimizing Losses. Testimony was heard from Craig Fugate, Administrator, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security.

### **INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS**

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Science for America's Lands, Water and Biota: U.S. Geological Survey Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Request. Testimony was heard from Marcia McNutt, Director, U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing Reclaiming Abandoned Mines and Regulating Surface Coal Mining: Office of Surface Mining Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Request. Testimony was heard from Joseph Pizarchik, Director, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of the Interior.

### **LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS**

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Department of Labor Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Overview. Testimony was heard from Hilda Solis, Secretary of Labor.